

Miscellaneous.

POETRY NOW-A-DAYS.

"How very a poet's heart is true!"
Called "Poetry" now-a-days,
The "Poet" and the "Poetess,"
To put a word in rhyme in a huff,
And dig out "old" and "new" and "youth,"
"One asks but a 'case' in some formal dith,
"Away from the cold world's strife,"
Now the woods, in blue weather, and all very well,
But give him a six weeks' rally spell!
And he'll soon "leave in" in the "cold" of the
And be a month of the life!"

TO A COQUETTE.

She has a heart, but she is free—
The love, the life, the "cold" of the
"Where the hills" and the "valley" and the
And she'll give all to be safe at home,
And stay there till she is old!

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GREAT MEN.

The "Great Men" of the world are not
great men the smaller they are. This
is not a startlingly novel remark, but
as Metamora of the last of the Pol-
lows observes, when he tells the pale
faces they have stolen all his land and
made fools of his brother Indians by
feeding them with bad rum, it is a true
one, exceedingly true. Great men eat
and drink things the same as small ones
do. Great men do mean things—
Like other flesh they are of the grass
grassy—and we may add, of the gas,
gassy sometimes. An itching to know
—to shake hands with them—
to have them say they are happy to make
our acquaintance—is a weakness al-
most everybody is afflicted with—
And when it happens that we get well
acquainted with them we find that
they are exactly like other people, only
perhaps a little worse. We perceive
that they swear as freely as common
folks and that when pressed earnestly
they will occasionally take a drink—
In a word, we are disappointed in them.
They are far from being all our fancy
painted them. Their sins shock us—
The moral grandeur which we had
supposed accompanied their great in-
tellects is too often not "there." Great
men are very human. It scarcely pays
to run after them.—*Handkerchief.*

THE CHICAGO PRESS.

No man has hit upon so happy a descrip-
tion of the Douglas party in reference
to the Territories, as that given by
Lincoln, in one of his Ohio speeches,
when he said that by "Slavery" may
be excluded from a Territory in which
it may legally remain? No form of
words could more clearly bring out
the contradiction between a belief in
the "Dred Scott" decision, which legal-
izes slavery everywhere, and a belief,
at the same time, in "unfriendly legis-
lation," which may everywhere forbid
it. This condensed statement, embody-
ing the facts and logic of an elaborate
political tract, appeals so forcibly to
popular comprehension, that, as long
as the contest which gave rise to it
continues, it will not be forgotten—
Douglas owes his old competitor for
many a damaging illustration, but
Lincoln has never said anything which
the small Giant will be more unwilling
to forgive, than that sentence which
we have quoted. It is a complete re-
futation of Douglasism in a nutshell.

WALKING ON WATER.

On Saturday afternoon Mr. Hicock, performed his
promised feat of walking on water, in
the presence of about a score of witness-
es. The River Don near the Don
Station, was the scene of this un-
derexploit. A little after 3 o'clock,
three or four members of the press,
with Mr. Good enough, proceeded to
the appointed spot, where Mr. Hicock
was waiting, having come in a boat
through the Bay. He was accompa-
nied by another person in the boat. As
the few spectators who had been in-
vited to this preliminary trial ap-
proached the river, they saw Mr.
Hicock strolling away upon the water,
his companion resting quietly in the
boat at a distance. He walked a dis-
tance of two or three hundred yards
with complete success, when the spec-
tators, of whom the number had been
increased by the knowledge of what
was going on obtaining circulation at
the station, being satisfied with the
operation desired, him to desist. He
walks on water-shoes, as the Indians
do on snow-shoes, and did not sink in
more than six or seven inches. The
water shoes which he used were the first
ever made, and as the idea of walking
on water did not strike him till a few
days ago, he had but little time to
practice. He showed no difficulty,
however, in keeping his equilibrium,
sometimes with a wand, and sometimes
with nothing in his hand. He sat as-
cended the boat occasionally, his water-
shoes hanging over the sides. This
feat is clearly established: walking on
the water is possible. The art is in his
fancy, and who shall say to what
perfection it may be brought?—*To-
ronto Globe.*

THE LAST THIRTY YEARS.

For the last thirty years a
family by the name of Smith, com-
municable for their ignorance and laziness,
have lived in Arkansas. Old Smith
lived, an acquaintance, who lived
some four or five miles off, happening
one day to be the day of his death, and
having heard of his illness, called, and
found no one at home except a dan-
gerous-in-law, who informed our friend
that "the rest of the family had gone
to see their daddy buried." Our
friend was a religious man, and inquired
of the dangerous-in-law as to the
old gentleman's religious views at his
death.

"Did the old gentleman make any
preparation for eternity?" asked our
friend.

"No," drawled out the woman,
nothing more than to give the two last
boys a piece."

Our friend was satisfied. He asked
no more questions.

A Ghost Story.

[From the Boston Traveler, 1906.]

Mr. Hector McDonald, of Canada, was
recently on a visit to Boston. When
he left home his family were enjoying
good health, and anticipated a pleasant
journey. The second morning after
his arrival in Boston, when leaving his
bed to dress for breakfast he saw re-
flected in a mirror, the corpse of a wo-
man, lying in the bed from which he
had just arisen. Spell bound, he gazed
with intense feeling and tried to re-
cognize the features of the corpse, but
in vain; he could not even move his
eyelids; he felt deprived of action, for
how long he knew not. He was start-
led by the ringing of the bell for
breakfast, and sprang to the bed to sat-
isfy himself what he had seen reflected
in the mirror was real or an illusion—
He looked again and he had left it, he
saw the bed truly reflected. During
the day he thought much upon the
illusion, and determined next morning
to rub his eyes and feel perfectly sure
that he was wide awake before he left
the bed. But notwithstanding these
precautions, the visit was repeated with
this addition, that he thought he
recognized in the corpse some resem-
blance to the features of his wife.

In the course of the second day he
received a letter from his wife, in
which she stated that she was quite
well, and hoped he was enjoying him-
self among his friends. As he was de-
votedly attached to her, and always
anxious for her safety, he supposed
that his morbid fears had conjured up
the vision he had seen reflected in the
glass, and went about his business as
usual. On the morning of the third day,
after he had dressed, he found himself
in thought in his own house, leaning
over the coffin of his wife. His friends
were assembled, the minister was per-
forming the funeral services, which he
drove straight—he was in the house of
death. He followed the corpse to the
grave; he heard the earth rumble upon
the coffin, he saw the grave filled, and
the green sods covered over it; yet, by
some strange power, he could see
through the ground the entire form of
his wife, as she lay in her coffin.

He looked in the faces of those
around him, but no one seemed to
notice him; he tried to weep, but the
tears refused to flow; his very heart felt
as hard as rock. Enraged at his
own want of feeling, he determined to
throw himself upon the grave, and he
there till his heart should break, when
he was recalled to consciousness by a
friend, who entered the room to inform
him that breakfast was ready. He
started as if awake from a profound
sleep, though he was standing before
the mirror, with a hair-brush in his
hand.

After composing himself, he related
to his friend what he had seen, and
both concluded that a good breakfast
only was needed to dispel the vision,
and he went to bed. A few days
afterwards, however, he received the
melancholy intelligence that his wife
had died suddenly, and the time corre-
sponded with the day he had been
startled by the first vision in the
mirror. When he returned home he
described minutely all the details of
the funeral he had seen in his vision,
and they corresponded with the facts.

This is probably one of the most vivid
instances of clairvoyance on record—
Mr. McDonald knows nothing of mod-
ern spiritualism or clairvoyance, and
most of his life has been passed upon
a farm and among forests. It may not
be amiss to state that his father, who
was a Scotch Highlander, had the gift
of "second sight."

Love of Nature and Flowers.

The love of nature affords one of the
purest delights, and is implanted in
every human breast. Flowers, of all
created things, are the most innocent
and beautiful, and afford a pleasure
which has no twin.

Nature is most lavish in her gifts of
beauty and adornment, but in order to
appreciate and enjoy them, it is neces-
sary to listen to her voice and study
her varied teaching; in this way they
will be found to inculcate a tone of re-
finement, besides giving the most
pleasant and beautiful employment to
old and young, and to the wealthy and
poor alike.

Every man should adorn his home
—the dwelling of his wife and children
—with attractive objects, and with all
those various embellishments which
will make it cheerful. What, then, will
lend more to this end than a flower
garden, even though quite small, filled
with beautiful flowers, imparting their
fragrance, and cheering the mind of the
beholder.

It is in this done, much has been ac-
complished towards making home an
abode of peace and delight. When
flowers are planted the home becomes
a natural residence, while its intrinsic
value is greatly enhanced.

Cultivated taste gives beauty and
value to property, and the small cost
of a flower garden, so far from being a
useless expense as some regard it, adds
to the money value of the premises—
Floral culture pursues on a small scale,
are particularly adapted to ladies.

A natural fondness for flowers is an
evidence of a refined mind and their
cultivation tends to create a delicate
taste. If a lady therefore learns to
plant and rear these tender and deriva-
tive objects, the pleasure thus derived
will be found to increase in proportion
to the effort put forth, and will remain
when others have departed.—*New
York Mercury.*

Cut. BENJAM—Calhoun Benham,
Esq., Terry's second in the late Cal-
ifornia duel, is, we believe, a native of
Cincinnati or the vicinity, the youngest
son of Jas. Benham, Esq., many years
long established as one of the first lawyers
in the State, and is brother to Mrs.
Geo. D. Prentiss. About the year
1844, Wm. Benham, a Lieutenant in
U. S. Navy, an only brother of Ben-
ham, was brutally killed at Louisville
in a drunken brawl in the hands of Talbot
O'Hann, for the simple reason that the
former refused to drink with the latter.
O'Hann made his escape down the
river and over to Havana, where he
was pursued by Benham, who was de-
termined to avenge his brother's death.
He arrived one day too late for his
purpose—O'Hann was attacked with
disease and died about the hour of
Benham's arrival. We believe that
Benham has figured in several duels—
certainly on more than the fatal one
which has just resulted in the death of
Broderick—since his residence in Cal-
ifornia.—*Cal. Press.*

We call attention to the advertise-
ment of Prof. Roy's Classical Academy,
this is one of the deserving institutions
of our city, and should receive an exten-
sive patronage.

Administrators Notice. The undersigned
has been granted by the undersigned
upon the estate of Evan Simmons, late of
Indiana, deceased, the sum of \$1000.00
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WOOD, EDDY & CO'S

DELAWARE STATE LOTTERIES

Capital Prize, \$100,000!

The following
MAGNIFICENT SCHEMES
will be drawn by Wood, Eddy & Co., Managers,
of Wilmington, Delaware, in public sale, under
the supervision of sworn Commissioners, ap-
pointed by the Governor.

DELAWARE LOTTERY.

CLASS No. 570,
Drawn on Saturday, October 29th, 1899,
25 numbers—13 tickets—1000.

ONE GRAND CAPITAL PRIZE OF

\$100,000!

1 Prize of \$20,000 65 Prizes of \$1000

1 Prize of \$10,000 65 Prizes of \$500

1 Prize of \$5,000 65 Prizes of \$250

1 Prize of \$2,500 65 Prizes of \$125

1 Prize of \$1,250 65 Prizes of \$62.50

1 Prize of \$625 65 Prizes of \$31.25

1 Prize of \$312.50 65 Prizes of \$15.62

1 Prize of \$156.25 65 Prizes of \$7.81

1 Prize of \$78.12 65 Prizes of \$3.90

1 Prize of \$39.06 65 Prizes of \$1.95

1 Prize of \$19.53 65 Prizes of \$0.97

1 Prize of \$9.76 65 Prizes of \$0.49

1 Prize of \$4.88 65 Prizes of \$0.24

1 Prize of \$2.44 65 Prizes of \$0.12

1 Prize of \$1.22 65 Prizes of \$0.06

1 Prize of \$0.61 65 Prizes of \$0.03

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HOWARD ASSOCIATION.

PHILADELPHIA.

A Disfranchisement Association, established by special
endorsement for the relief of the sick and dis-
abled, and for the improvement of the race.

The Howard Association, in view of
the destruction of human life, caused by
sexual diseases, and the deplorable condition
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